

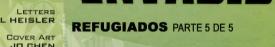
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Los Yuuzhan Vong han invadido la galaxia de un extremo a otro. Luke Skywalker lidera la Orden Jedi para ayudar a los planetas que están siendo atacados mientras intenta también descubrir los secretos que se esconden detrás de estos extraños y poderosos agresores.

VASITIN

El planeta de Artorias ha sido uno de los atacados. El Príncipe Finn Galfridian escapó con varios ciudadanos y viajo a Yavin 4 para entrenarse como Jedi; su madre, Nina, y su hermana, Kaye, fueron capturadas por los Yuuzhan Vong; y su padre, Caled, se quedó atrás con la esperanza de liderar una resistencia.

Finn se ha tomado un descanso en su entrenamiento con Luke y ha viajado a Nar Shaddaa en compañía de la Princesa Leia y sus hijos con el fin de obtener información útil acerca de los Yuuzhan Vong. A bordo de la nave esclavista donde han estado retenidos. Kave lidera una revolución de los prisioneros junto con el peligroso Arbeloa, otra víctima de los Yuuzhan Vong y último superviviente de su raza.



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Mientras comenzaba esta era, Luke Skywalker había unificado la Orden Jedi en un cohesivo grupo de poderosos Caballeros Jedi. Era tiempo de relativa paz, pero la oscuridad se cernia sobre el horizonte. Ahora, los descendientes de Skywalker se enfrentan a nuevas y renacientes amenazas para la galaxia y para el equilibrio de la Fuerza.

Los acontecimientos narrados en esta historia tienen lugar aproximadamente veinticinco años después de la Batalla de Yavin.

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Thank you for Star Wars: Invasion! The first issue immediately grabbed me and was intriguing, exciting, and makes me feel unable to wait for more! I've been requesting stories from the New Jedi Order for about ten years now, so this has been long awaited. I've been reading and reviewing your Star Wars comics ever since Dark Empire came out in the early '90s. There have been some great hits like Tales of the Jedi, X-Wing Rogue Squadron, Crimson Empire, Republic, and Legacy. They've set a high bar for Invasion! But I think this series will meet it.

I really enjoy seeing Luke Skywalker as a Jedi Master and hope that Jaina, Jacen, and Anakin Solo will get fair representation in the series, as well as the large pantheon of characters introduced in the Del Rey novels. I'll look out for Finn Galfridian to become a favorite Dark Horse character, but Ulic Qel-Droma, Quinlan Vos, and Cade Skywalker have the market cornered on that, thus far.

Josh Weiselberg

Well, this is the final issue in our first arc of Invasion. Have you decided if Finn is a real contender? We're already underway on the next arc, where you'll have a lot more questions to ask when some existing questions are answered!

Awesome. A word used all too frequently these days by myself: Yeah, Shakira looks awesome in her new video. Devastator was totally awesome in Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen. Kasabian were awesome at Wembley Stadium the other week. The word comes all too easily at times, but it is probably exactly the right word to use when describing the first issue of Invasion. Okay, stand by for more Dark Horse gushing . . . and about this title in particular.

Where do I begin? Actually, I'll start at the end of the comic, where editor Randy Stradley gives us an insight into the creation of Invasion. I cannot believe it's been eleven years since Crimson Empire II and the first glimpse of the nefarious Nom Anor (arguably my favorite character in the entire New Jedi Order saga). This raises a couple of questions. First, is there any point in continuing the drama of a series that has been and gone? And second, isn't it high time we had a Crimson Empire III? Well, the answers are, of course, yes and yes. But I'll stop mentioning CEIII before the honorable R. Stradley shreds my letter.

I was open minded when I first saw the news that Invasion was on the way. Although not overly enamored with the books, they were okay, in my opinion. But Dark Horse has long been the flagship of Star Wars's expanded universe for years, churning out awesome (there's that word again) stories and visuals that have proved any doubters wrong as to whether they can deliver. I had no doubts that Dark Horse's vision, and version, of the Yuuzhan Vong war would be a treat.

And what a treat! Mr. Stradley mentioned bringing in Colin Wilson-a stroke of genius. I've seen his work on Legacy and Rebellion and been impressed. I remember thinking that I'd seen his work before but could not place it, but it wasn't until I saw Randy's explanation that he used to work on 2000 AD that it all made sense. You see, I used to read 2000 AD every week back in the '80s. In fact, 2000 AD and Marvel's Star Wars titles were two titles I grew up with. How great it is to see some of the contributors of my youth catch up with me years later, working on Star Wars today. After the great Cam Kennedy, plus others, we now have Colin Wilson, You've truly picked a gem there—his work in this first issue was spellbindingly amazing. His detail of the planet Artorias was a delight; from the marketplace to the countryside, from the close-ups to the middle and long distances-it was purely delightful. And then there were the characters. His style is . . . well, I don't know . . . gritty, perhaps? Whatever it is, it's realistic, and perfect for the universe we know and love.

And that's without mentioning the Yuuzhan Vong themselves. We've seen very little of the Yuuzhan Vong over the years—just snippets, really. I thought their minor appearances in Legacy would be it, but hopefully Colin (and presumably other artists) can help bring this species to life.

Let me of course not forget the rest of the team. Writer Tom Taylor is a newcomer and has hit the ground running, and he's got me hooked already. I was aware that this series was not concentrating on the bigger, established characters, and rightly so. I'm already intrigued by young Finn and the path ahead of him, and I would stake money on him becoming a fan favorite in a short space of time.

The rest of the talent is clear: from the colors and the lettering to the cover art, it's all there, contributing to what I'm predicting is going to be a contender for top title within Dark Horse folklore. I have little interest in reading comics online, but now I may need to take a peek at what's on offer at the official site (to catch the chapters I've missed).

Overall, Invasion #1 was an incredible kick start. I'm

in, I'm sold, I'm hooked, I'm loving it. Long may it last. Job done. Awesome.

Ben Culleton Windsor, UK

Here at Dark Horse, we're complete pushovers for the gushing! And when the gushing comes with such great explication to back it up, then we feel really deserving. So, thank you, Ben! In hope of perhaps garnering some more of your great gush: what do you think of Kaye? She's a pretty awesome, plucky, smart girl... Think she'll be a fan fave?

I just wanted to say that I have loved *Invasion* so far, and it's about time that comics were brought into the New Jedi Order era.

I thought I'd mention something about the artwork in *Invasion* #2 that's been bugging me. Anakin Solo's lightsaber is supposed to be purple, not blue.

On the subject of the future, I do hope that you will allow the comic to go beyond the war. I'm thinking specifically, the aftermath. At the end of the most bloody war in galactic history with something like three trillion dead, all the aftermath got in the novels was a trilogy that barely mentioned the restoration of the galaxy. How does the galaxy recover?

Thanks for reading this e-mail, and I hope that *Invasion* continues for a very long time. Even after issue #2, it's in my top two *Star Wars* comics.

Ash

Ash, we goofed! Anakin Solo's lightsaber should be purple at this point in the Star Wars timeline. We will fix it for sure in the collection of these first five issues . . . and if he appears in the next are, it will be purple!

Things are underway here for an incredible new arc of Invasion. The excitement with the Skywalkers, the Solos, and sepcially the broken Galfridian family—cause this is Finn's story remember—will continue in just a few short months. The devastation of the Yuachan Vong and their bioweaponty continues across the galaxy, and the New Jedi Order will keep doing their best to deal! More of Invasion is not very far, far away!

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